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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JANUARY 29, 2002

PETITION OF

CABLE AND WIRELESS OF VIRGINIA, INC.

For Approval of the  
Discontinuance of  
its Global Card Postpaid  
Travel Card Service

CASE NO. PUC010264

FINAL ORDER

On December 21, 2001, Cable & Wireless of Virginia, Inc. ("C&W" or "the Company"), filed a petition with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for approval of C&W's request to discontinue the provision of its Global Card Postpaid Travel Card service ("GCS"). According to the Company, GCS is an optional, stand-alone, post-paid travel service enabling users to complete outbound intrastate long-distance calls from any touch-tone or rotary telephone in the state via access codes and personal identification numbers.<sup>1</sup> C&W has also asked that the petition be given expedited treatment in order to effect discontinuance of this service on or before February 17, 2002.

In support of its petition, the Company stated that it has reevaluated its business plan and has concluded that it is in the Company's best interests, at this time, to streamline its

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<sup>1</sup> The Company's petition indicates that the number of GCS customers in Virginia totals 1,411.

service offerings. C&W further indicates that it will continue to offer traditional intrastate long distance service; going forward, the Company plans to focus its attention and financial strength on the provision of enhanced IP and data services to business customers.

C&W also states that on December 17, 2001, the Company notified GCS customers that it had sold its Global Card operations to ILD Telecommunications, Inc. ("ILD").<sup>2</sup> The notification further advised that: (i) upon regulatory approval, GCS service provided by C&W would be discontinued effective February 17, 2002; (ii) GCS customers have the option of obtaining travel card services from ILD or another travel card service provider prior to February 17, 2002; (iii) C&W will continue to bill for use of GCS through March 31, 2002; and (iv) ILD will mirror the rates, terms, and conditions of C&W. Thereafter, ILD will directly bill for the travel card service.

The Company also states in its petition that its December 17, 2001, notice provided GCS customers with C&W and ILD toll-free customer assistance numbers for purposes of addressing any questions or concerns that may arise during the withdrawal transition period. The petition also states that a second notice will be provided to GCS customers approximately

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<sup>2</sup> ILD is the parent of Intellicall Operator Services, Inc. d/b/a ILD ("IOS"). IOS is a reseller of interexchange services and holds a certificate to transact business in Virginia.

two weeks before the planned discontinuance as a final reminder to customers.

C&W thus submits that the public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of GCS service. In addition to the ILD migration plan outlined in its filing, the Company also notes that numerous other long-distance providers offer services that are comparable to GCS service under competitive rates, terms, and conditions.

NOW THE COMMISSION, having considered the petition and finding sufficient C&W's December 17, 2001, notification to the Company's GCS customers of its intentions to discontinue such service, is of the opinion that the Company's petition for approval to discontinue its Global Card Postpaid Travel Card service should be approved.

Accordingly, IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) The Company's petition for approval to discontinue its Global Card Postpaid Travel Card service pursuant to the terms and conditions of its petition is hereby approved.

(2) C&W shall provide revised tariffs to the Division of Communications for review and acceptance prior to February 1, 2002.

(3) There being nothing further to come before the Commission, the matter is dismissed.